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Honorable James H. Welsh  
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Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING.

9800 Foot Sand, SARDINE POINT FIELD,  
East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

ZINN PETROLEUM COMPANY ("Applicant") hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the 9800 Foot Sand in the Sardine Point Field, East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana:

1. To redefine the 9800 Foot Sand in the Sardine Point Field, East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana, as being that hydrocarbon bearing interval encountered between the measured depths of 9,794' and 9,902' (9,787' and 9,895' TVD) in the Zinn Petroleum Company--9800 SUA; Gianelloni-Ferro No. 1-D Well, located in Section 45, Township 8 South, Range 1 East, Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana.
2. To confirm and continue in force and effect the units designated 9800 SUA and 9800 SUB, created respectively by Office of Conservation Order No. 527-B, effective September 1, 1961, and Office of Conservation Order No. 527-B-1, effective December 1, 1964, as drilling and production units for the exploration for and production of hydrocarbons from the 9800 Foot Sand in the Sardine Point Field, East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana, as redefined herein, said units being shown on the attached plat.
3. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The 9800 Foot Sand in the Sardine Point Field, East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana, is currently defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 527-B, effective September 1, 1961.

Pertinent data concerning this application is available for inspection at the offices of Joe B. Adams, 9141 Interline Avenue, Suite 3A, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809. Any person desiring to inspect such data should call Mr. Adams at (225) 929-6097 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such data which is not otherwise

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available from the Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

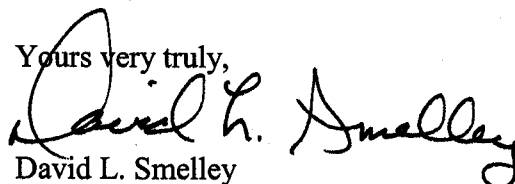
By letter dated September 19, 2003, Applicant gave notice, in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure, of its intention to apply for a public hearing concerning these proposals and set October 13, 2003, as the tentative date for the pre-application conference. While a request for the pre-application conference was received, it was subsequently withdrawn; accordingly, no pre-application conference was held.

Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom notice of this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. A copy of the plat showing the existing units (which is identical to the plat attached to the pre-application notice) is enclosed herewith, and a copy of this letter and of the attached plat is being sent to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation and to each of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties as shown on the attached list.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing, and of the enclosed plat, at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Sardine Point Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, Applicant will mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

Finally, enclosed herewith is our check payable to the Office of Conservation covering the application fee.

Yours very truly,



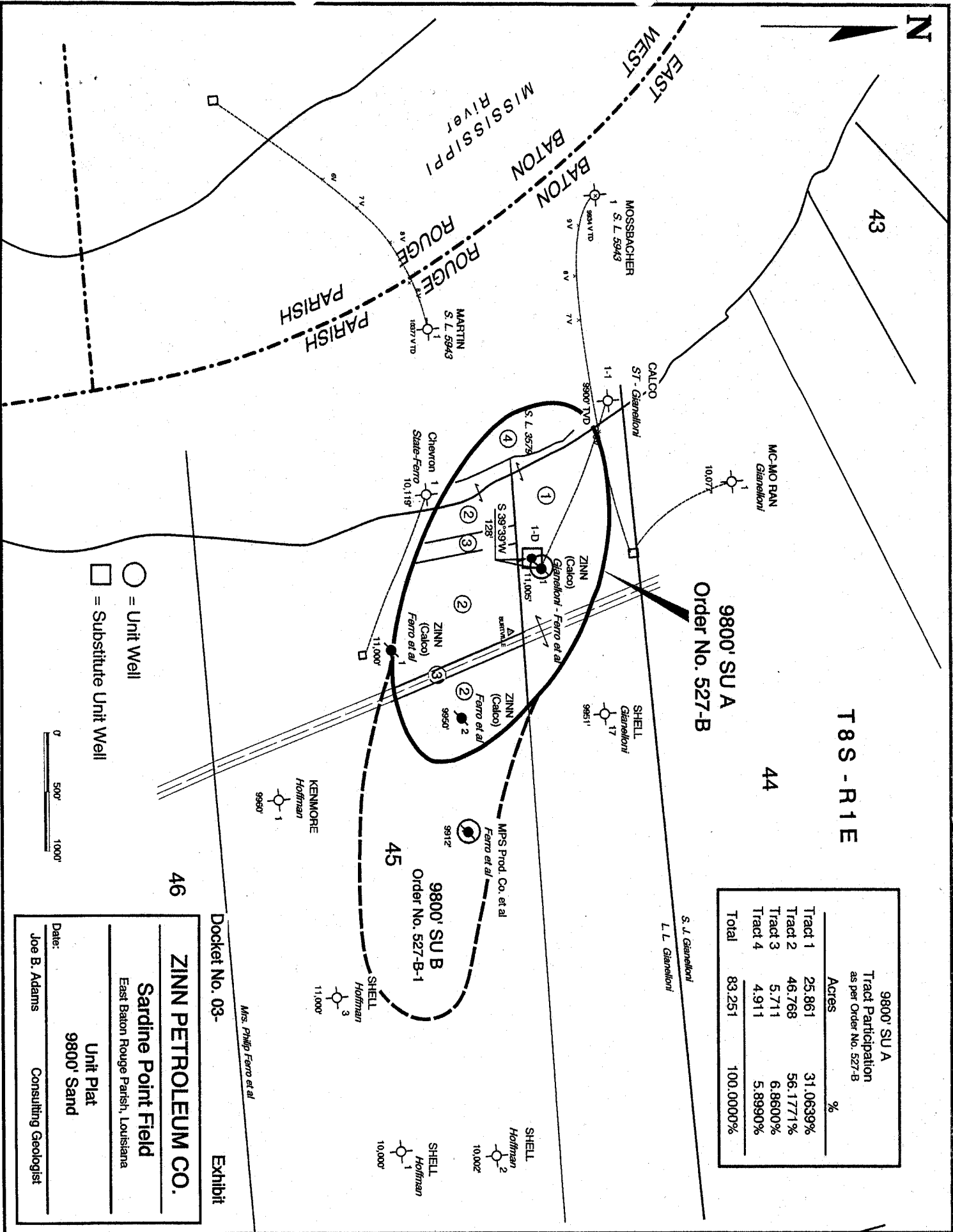
David L. Smelley

Attorney for Zinn Petroleum Company

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson (w/encls.)  
Mr. Robert Zinn (w/encls.)  
Mr. Joe Adams (w/encls.)  
Interested Owners, Represented Parties  
and Interested Parties (w/copy of plat only)



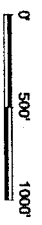
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9800' SU A  
Order No. 527-B

9800' SU A Tract Participation as per Order No. 527-B			
Tract	Acres	%	
Tract 1	25.861	31.0639%	
Tract 2	46.768	56.1771%	
Tract 3	5.711	6.8600%	
Tract 4	4.911	5.8990%	
Total	83.251	100.0000%	

○ = Unit Well  
□ = Substitute Unit Well



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9800' SU B  
Order No. 527-B-1

Docket No. 03-
Exhibit

ZINN PETROLEUM CO.  
Sardine Point Field  
East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana  
Unit Plat  
9800' Sand

Date:  
Joe B. Adams  
Consulting Geologist

Mrs. Philip Ferro et al